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SUBJ: SOVIET UNION DELEGATION'S VISIT TO CANADA

1. ON HIS INITIATIVE CANADIAN LABOUR CONGRESS (CLC) INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS DIRECTOR JOHN HARKER TOLD LABATT SOVIET LABOR TEAM WILL VISIT CANADA SEPTEMBER 25 TO OCTOBER 5. GROUP CONSISTS OF PETER PIMENOV, SOVIET MEMBER OF ILO GOVERNING BODY AND WFTU "COORDINATOR" AT ILO; NICOLAI DRAGUNOV, PRESIDENT OF ENGINEERING WORKERS UNION IN SOVIET UNION (VISITED CANADA SEPTEMBER 1975 AS UAW GUEST); (FNU) FIODOROV, PRESIDENT OF THE NOVGOROD LABOR COUNCIL; AND IGOR JOYURGINS OF AUCCTU INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT ACTING AS INTERPRETOR. BOREK ZOFKA (CONTROVERSIAL FORMER ILO EMPLOYEE NOW WORKING TEMPORARILY FOR CLC WHILE CLC PRESIDENT MORRIS IS TRYING TO GET HIM PLACED IN ILO WORKERS EDUCATION DEPT.) WILL ACCOMPANY DELEGATION.

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2. FOLLOWING SHORT STAY IN MONTREAL GROUP WILL FLY

DIRECTLY TO VANCOUVER WHERE THEY WILL VISIT LOGGING CAMPS. B.C. FEDERATION OF LABOR AND INTERNATIONAL WOODWORKERS (MORRIS' ORIGINAL UNION) WILL PROBABLY ACT AS HOSTS. STOP-OVER IN TORONTO WHERE UAW CANADIAN VICE PRESIDENT MCDERMOTT WILL PRESUMABLY ARRANGE PROGRAM. THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY TWO TO THREE DAYS IN OTTAWA WHERE SOVIETS WILL MEET WITH CLC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS RESIDING HERE.

3. NO CONTACT WITH GOC OFFICIALS ENVISAGED.

4. AUCCTU VISIT IS PRIMARILY OF SOCIAL NATURE ACCORDING TO HARKER, IN RETURN FOR HOSPITALITY SHOWN CLC DELEGATION ON VISIT TO USSR AUGUST 1975 (SEE OTTAWA 3491, SEPT. 15, 1975).

5. DELEGATION PLANS TO RETURN TO SOVIET UNION VIA WASHINGTON. WE ASSUME IT WILL ONLY BE AIRPORT STOPOVER, ALTHOUGH DEPARTURE FROM HERE WITHOUT U.S. VISAS TO WASHINGTON DOMESTIC TERMINAL MAY WELL PRESENT DIFFICULTIES. NEVERTHELESS, ONE CANNOT DISCOUNT PROPAGANDA VALUE THAT SOVIETS MAY ATTACH TO "U.S. VISIT", IF THEIR PLANS MATERIALIZE.  
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